



# MONROE THIS WEEK

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## GREETINGS FROM MAYOR THOMAS

Hello! Thank you for reading Monroe This Week. Learn what is happening and has happened during the week. If you have any suggestions, questions, or comments for "Monroe This Week" or the articles included, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I can be reached at [gthomas@monroewa.gov](mailto:gthomas@monroewa.gov)

. Thank you!  
Yours in Service,

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas



## MAYOR HAPPENINGS

### THANK YOU!

Thank you to our Public Works, Police Department, and City Staff for plowing city streets, neighborhoods, answering phones, and keeping Monroe safe. Your dedication and service to our community is very much appreciated. You have worked around the clock ensure the safety of our community. Thank you for all you have done and continue to so!

### Storm Drains/Catch Basins

As the snow begins to melt, the City is working to clear catch basins that drain slush and water off of the streets. If residents are able to safely assist in keeping catch basins clear of snow and slush it will greatly help reduce street flooding. Thank you for your assistance!

### Coffee with the Mayor



Join me for coffee on Saturday, February 23, 2019, from 8-9:30 a.m. at Original Pilot House Coffee. I look forward to seeing you!

## CITY HAPPENINGS

### East Monroe Public Hearing

On February 25, 2019, the City's Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to reaffirm the land use designation of the East Monroe site as limited open space. Any interested person(s) may provide public testimony regarding the proposed code amendment at the hearing. Written comments will be accepted prior to the meeting in original form. If you have questions, please contact Shana Restall, Principal Planner at [SRestall@monroewa.gov](mailto:SRestall@monroewa.gov) or call 360-863-4608. This information is also available to review on the city's website at <http://www.monroewa.gov/790/Comprehensive-Plan-Amendments>

### Mayor

Geoffrey Thomas

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### Councilmembers

Kevin Hanford, Mayor Pro Tem

Patsy Cudaback

Ed Davis

Jason Gamble

Jim Kamp

Jeff Rasmussen

Kirk Scarboro

[councilmembers@monroewa.gov](mailto:councilmembers@monroewa.gov)

## EVENT HAPPENINGS

02/19	City Council Legislative Affairs Committee Mtg City Hall, Council Conference Room; 6:30PM
	City Council Regular Study Session, City Hall, Council Chambers; 7PM

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STARTS HERE!

**City of Monroe**  
**Year-to-Date Comparisons**

Sales Tax Revenues

'18 to 01/31/18: \$385,887

'19 to 01/31/19: \$424,396

**UP \$38,509 or 9.97%**

Real Estate Excise Tax

'18 to 01/31/18: \$51,717

'19 to 01/31/19: \$32,673

**DOWN \$19,044 or -36.82%**

Lodging Tax Revenues

'18 to 01/31/18: \$4,878

'19 to 01/31/19: \$5,342

**UP \$464 or 9.51%**

Business License Fees

'18 to 01/31/18: \$4,554

'19 to 01/31/19: \$6,019

**UP \$1,465 or 32.16%**

Building Permit Revenues

'18 to 01/31/18: \$41,962

'19 to 01/31/19: \$40,419

**DOWN \$1,543 or -3.67%**

Planning Fee Revenues

'18 to 01/31/18: \$175

'19 to 01/31/19: \$175

**No Change**

SFR Permits YTD

'18 to 01/31/18: 11

'19 to 01/31/19: 10

Multi-Family Permits (#units)

'18 to 01/31/18: 0

'19 to 12/31/19: 0

Inspections YTD

'18 to 01/31/18: 170

'19 to 01/31/19: 311

## CITY HAPPENINGS

### Unified Development Regulations (UDR) Update -- Public Hearing

On February 25, 2019, the City's Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to review amendments to the city's zoning code and development regulations. These proposed amendments to the land use code will:

- Develop a greater emphasis on manufacturing uses in the light industrial zone by generally removing commercial and service based uses, such retail and restaurants. However, the proposal would continue to allow commercial and service-based businesses in the buildings fronting Frylands Boulevard.
- Allow for a greater range of uses on many commercial properties (vicinity of Frylands and US-2) impacted by the airport restrictions
- Institute moderate design guidelines for commercial, single, and multifamily structures
- By March 2019, align the adopted Comprehensive Plan future land use map/designations with the proposed zoning map
- Establish a new tourist commercial zone adjacent to the fairgrounds
- Expand the area within the City where mobile vendors, such as food trucks, are allowed to operate

Please note, regardless of the proposed code amendments, all lawfully-established businesses may continue operations as legally nonconforming businesses. To learn more about the proposed changes and how they help the community address its growth and development issues, visit the city's website at: [monroewa.gov/639/Unified-Development-Regulations](http://monroewa.gov/639/Unified-Development-Regulations).

We encourage interested parties to attend the February 25th Planning Commission meeting to comment on the new land use code. If you have questions, or would like to discuss how these changes could affect your business, please contact Shana Restall, Principal Planner at [SRestall@monroewa.gov](mailto:SRestall@monroewa.gov) or call 360-863-4608.

## COUNCIL HAPPENINGS

The Tuesday, February 19, 2019, City Council Regular Study Session includes a Presentation and Discussion Items: 2019 Board/Commission Work Plans; and Creation of Public Safety Committee. See you then!

### City of Monroe Boards & Commissions Openings

- Ethics Boardmember (4)
- HPAC Member (9 to 11)
- LTAC Member (Hotelier)
- Salary Commissioner

[www.monroewa.gov/vacancies](http://www.monroewa.gov/vacancies)

### Job Openings

- Lateral Police Officer

[www.monroewa.gov/jobs](http://www.monroewa.gov/jobs)

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